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Title: MULTIPLAYER RECORD CARRIER AND DEVICE FOR SCANNING SAID  
CARRIER

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

**Page 1, in the paragraph beginning on line 1, change as follows:**

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to a record carrier suitable to be  
scanned by means of a single scanning head and provided with at  
least two substantially parallel information layers. Each  
information layer may comprise information independently of the  
information contents of other information layers. The information  
layers may coincide or be separated from each other by a spacer  
layer. The invention also relates to a scanning device for scanning  
such a record carrier. During scanning, information can be written,  
read or erased.